France May Decide She Is Not Able to Spare Such a Daring and Skilful Aviator as Georges Carpentier.

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EORGES CARPENTIER of

France has signed a contract to fight for Tex Rickard when he comes to America. The contract was written out by Rickard after a conference by mall and cable, Carpentier's manager, Descamps, who har shown himself to be a skilful matchmaker, informed Tex France had no desire to see her champion put up against the gigantic heavyweight champion for a probable beating in a bout in which he'd be outclassed. In this Descamps showed good sense. Carpentier, out of the ring and under a terrific nerve strain for two years, would have no possible chance to make a showing against Jens, who not only outweighs him by hundred pounds and tops him by half a foot, but is a fast and skilful

Carpentier will be allowed to take a furlough for the purpose of boxing in America. He is one of the most skilful and daring of French airmen, and his services are needed on the battle The few thousand dollars that would go to the Prench wounded fund is of little consequence to France compared to the services of such a man as Carpentier,

Will Irwin, in a story written for the Saturday Evening Post, said of the girls who inspect the English for flaws in manufacture:

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son's jaw and knocked him out.
Isn't it up to you to expose Willard, even if he is regarded as
champion, Yours truly, J. K. B.
You are right, J. K. B. I've known
bout that for a long time, and it
lever occurred to me that Willard
thould be exposed. Jess did have
comething in that right glove, as I



# BEST SPORTING PAGE IN NEW YORK

### LIFE STORIES OF CHAMPIONS TOLD IN OUR OWN MOVIES



JOS WILLARD, A POOR BUT HOUST COM-PUNKHER, LOSES HIS GOAT WHEN HE HEARD THAT DOMESON HAS FLATTENED JEFFRUES AT RENO... "I WILL LICK THAT DINGE MYSELF", BAYS JESS, PRADING FOR CIVILIZATION . . . . . .



BEFORE LEAVING OTTAIRONA JESS TRIES OUT HIS PUNCH. "AHA!", HE CRIES IN GLAD ACCENTS, "IT WORKS . I'LL SHOW EM I'M THE GIV! FROM HIS LAUGUAGE IT IS ALREADY EVIDENT TRAT



IN NEWYORK JESS IS INTRODUCED FROM THE RING NIGHTLY FOR 3 MONTHS. HE IS THE BIG LAUGH . WHEN HE SAYS



JESS KNOCKS SOLDIER HEARNS FROM N.Y.
TO BUPPALO WITH AN UPPERCUT. BUT HECROWD
"CAN I FIGHT NOW?" HE CRIES . BUT HECROWD 13 BUSY LAUGHING AT HIS LONG LEGS ....

Two Sports Once Ridiculed

Are Now Most Popular

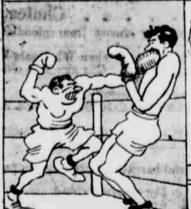
Tennis, Which Used to Be Considered a Mollycoddle Game, Now

taking its recreation and exercises outdoors, and 1916 gave a convincing proof of the new tendency in sports. The development of tennis is all the more remarkable when it is considered that only a few years ago the game was held in contempt, with only a reason only a reason of the new tendency in sports.

Children Indulging in It.

Has 3,000,000 Devotees, While Golf, Which Was Formerly

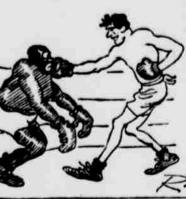
Called an "Old Man's" Sport, Has 700,000 Men, Women and



MINNE UP, JESS GOES WEST AND LETS A FOW BUSH LEAGUE FIGHTERS MAKE A 240MJNG ......



WHILE JACK CURLET HIES HIM TO ENGLAND AND PERSUADES J. ARTHUR JOHNSON TO PICK A



IN HAVANA JESS DOES THE PICKING - PLUNK - COUNT 10 JOSE IMMEDIATELY BECOMES A



SMALL TIME

AND AFTER THAT IT'S JESS WHO LAUGHS WHEN ANYBODY WANTS TO SEE

### New York A. C. To Stand Behind

shells for flaws in manufacture:

"If she makes a mistake there will be a defective cartride, which may mean, in a pinch, another British soldier dead for Britain."

And in deacribing the testing of Britain's airplane motors he wrote:

"A defect, a wee defect, might make it stop in an aerial flight. That might lose the plane, and the plane might lose the plane, and the plane might lose the battery."

So Carpentier's absence from the firing line, where he has done such heroic work in getting artillery ranges while flying over the German trenches, might lose a battery—or a battle.

skipped early in the war, like Freddy twelve rounds to a decision. Welsh, Kid Lewis, Tom Cowler and many other English fighters who are

Welsh, Kid Lowis, Tom Cowier and many other English fighters who arrived in America shortly after the shells began to scream, he wouldn't have attracted so much attention and sharp criticism from soft-air-pointed recruiting agents for dear old England.

A USTRALIANS and Canadians have no use for a "slacker," But judging from a letter to the summer site is a substitute at the last indeed attention on triough in England, the English addition of health so strengty about their own people who avoid the fighting. "It see that you have criticised freed who award during the was carried with a summer of the English of the Carroll, whalls for leaving English of the English of the Carroll, who have criticised freed to the English of the Carroll, while the controlled the freed who avoid the fighting. "It see that you have criticised freed to the criticised with the controlled who avoid the fighting." The stress is in Chicage to day awaiting Leaving the warry for a rear round scalp at Missules. "Find the Parker was allowed to make the best was a summer set on the Lob to the same section. This pair obtained and the battle was a hummer, the was a function of the same section. This pair obtained and the battle was a hummer, the point of the Summer set on the Lob to the A. U. The first public appearance of the Deport of the Poople's Palace, Jersey Clify will not be accepted by the A. A. U. The first public appearance of the Summer of Secandom. The same section of the Summer of Secandom. The same section of the Summer of Secandom and Johnson and on furiough in England, the state of the sta

### Junior Tennis Tournament for Indoor Championship

At the Armory A. A. of Boston next Tuesday Specing Club, to-day arranged the Propose Specing Club, to-day arranged the ten-round unjut Eddie Northy and Jerry Books will not semi-final to the Joe Wagner-Johnny Coulon best

Ocal College Players Among feating E. L. Hopkins of Yale at 6-1, while his brother, Francis W. Hopkins, went down before John L. Hopkins

### If professional games are losing their attractiveness it is only because pastimes that the average sport lover can play himself are enjoying a rec-ord-breaking period of popularity. Claim of baseball as being the chief national sport. More surprising still has been the We seem to be following the Eng-lish custom of "less work and a little more play." The rush to the play-grounds is not entirely confined to the younger class of sportsmen. It is now the practice of mean past middle

## With "Bugs" Baer

PUTTING 'EM OVER



ES DARCY IS mistletoe pinned

Consensus of opinion that the Naional Commission could stand und the mistletoe a long while without Barney Dreyfuss giving 'em a tumbi

Barney Dreyfuss, the Cinderella

Sometimes you see a fight where the fighters work almost as hard as the referee. Of All Outdoor Pastimes

Young Jake Schaefer was supposed to meet Willie Hoppe in a 250-point game. Hoppe shot first and Jake is till supposed to meet him.

Larry McLean will catch for Giannati in between suspensions

By William Abbott.

The most striking feature in sports this year was the great number of people who actually played. More and more America is the far East and West.

The development of tennis is all

Advocates of a stronger navy are oht. Not one of 'em was picked right. Not one of 'em seas piel for Walter Camp's All-America

A hair-rateing finish in the American Lappe and Ried leasen might do Jack Lapp and Ried leasen a world of good.

Public will be satisfied with baseball prices when they elect Mr. Woolworth President of the American

Even with one fighter getting \$30,000 and the other getting \$40,000, it can still be a poor bout.

After seeing some of the players they seed to the big learnes, the public figures is wouldn't be a bad idea if pascisal accurs did their scouting in the daytime.



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won easily in each, round and might have stopped his bewildered opponent carlier had he been more aggressive.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.-Frank 3

Marshall. American chess champion, to day holds a new record. Marshall played 129 opponents simultaneously, breaking his own record of 105 con-tests played at one time.

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blim in his dressing room at the Ville Miramar and saw the gloves removed after the fight. In his right gives less had the biggoest, hardest ham of a hand that was ever pushed into a padded mitter.

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#### Indoor Swimming Briefs

The 400-yard relay record for women swimmers set on Dec. 18 by the Jan. 6 to Feb. 2, and the next open girls of the National Lifesawing meet at the New York A. C. will be League in the seventy-five-foot pool held on the 17th instead of Jan. 10.

gratulating Weish for what he has escaped.

Perhaps in reality the Australians who were crippled at Galilpoli hecause of England's blunders feel like congratulating Less Darcy. But so far we haven't heard from them. Only the stay-at-homes in Australia have rushed into print about the Darcy Gass.

The mass outpoints Kramer.

Boston, Dec. 21.—Al Thomas of the Philadelphia Turngemeinde made their debut phia Turngemeinde made exceptional skill for hegins and showed exceptional skill for hegins of a factor of the Philadelphia Turngemeinde made their debut phia Turngemeinde made exceptional skill for hegins and showed e